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The Honorable William J. Casey
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Dear Bill:

We have been meaning to write to express our appreciation for your cooperation in ensuring the successful conclusion of the effort to agree upon a new set of Covert Action Reporting Procedures. We believe that adoption of these procedures is an important development, which should reduce the chances for a repetition of the kind of unfortunate incident which occurred recently.

As you know, paragraph 8 of the procedures specifies that you will "establish mechanisms to assure that the Senate Select Committee on Intelligence is informed of planned activities as provided by paragraphs 1 through 4, and that the Committee is fully and currently informed as provided by paragraph 6." Paragraph 8 also specifies that "the DCI will describe these mechanisms to the SSOCI." Bill, we would ask that you arrange to have your representatives describe the mechanisms which you have established to the Committee's senior staff during the forthcoming Congressional recess, so that we can be briefed on this matter when we return later this summer. We greatly appreciate your cooperation in this matter.

Sincerely,


 Barry Goldwater
 Chairman


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 Vice Chairman

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